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#### ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) **CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/DE2004/001646 11 August 2003 23 July 2004

Not yet assigned INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR RESPIRATORY SUPPORT FOR A PATIENT AIRWAY PROSTHESIS AND CATHETER APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Lutz Freitag Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) 5. X is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). X is attached hereto. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) X are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 8. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. **12**. 13.| A preliminary amendment. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. A substitute specification. **15**. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 16. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 – 1.825. **17**. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 18. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

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U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no person are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. Complete if Known Effective on 12/08/2004. Not Yet Assigned Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818). **Application Number** FEE TRANSMITTAL February 10, 2006 Filing Date **Lutz Freitag** First Named Inventor For FY 2005 Not Yet Assigned **Examiner Name** Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27 N/A Art Unit 023189.0101P2US **TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)** 665.00 Attorney Docket No. METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply) x Credit Card Money Order Check Other (please identify): None Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 50-2228 Deposit Account Name: Patton Boggs LLP For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply) Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee Charge fee(s) indicated below Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayment of Credit any overpayments fee(s) under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 **FEE CALCULATION** 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES **FILING FEES** SEARCH FEES **EXAMINATION FEES Small Entity Small Entity Small Entity** Fees Paid (\$) **Application Type** Fee (\$) Fee (\$) Fee (\$) Fee (\$) Fee (\$) Fee (\$) 100 300 Utility 150 500 250 200 200 100 Design 100 50 130 65 200 100 300 150 160 80 Plant 250 600 300 150 500 300 Reissue 200 100 0 0 0 0 **Provisional** 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES **Small Entity** Fee (\$) Fee (\$) Fee Description Each claim over 20 (including Reissues) 50 25 Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues) 200 100 Multiple dependent claims 360 180 Extra Claims **Multiple Dependent Claims Total Claims** 15 Fee Paid (\$) Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$) Indep. Claims **Extra Claims** Fee (\$) 4 3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s). Fee Paid (\$) **Total Sheets Extra Sheets** Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof Fee (\$) 18 /50 (round up to a whole number) x Fees Paid (\$) 4. OTHER FEE(S) Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount) Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 2631 Basic National Stage fee 150.00 2633 National Stage Examination Fee - all other ... 100.00 2632 National Stage Search Fee - all other situations 250.00 65.00 2617 Search fee, examination fee or oath or ... 2614 National Stage claims - extra independent (over ... 100.00

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This is to certify that the attached document, *International Application No. PCT/DE2004/001646*, originally written in *German* is, to the best of our knowledge and belief, a true, accurate and complete translation into *English*.

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